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ARGENTINA,5900 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD, SUITE 748, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, SEPTEMBER 5, 1975

FOLLOWING TEL SENT ACTION DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL ASST ATTORNEY GENERAL CRIMINAL DIVISION US SECRET SERVICE SECSTATE FROM DIRECTOR FBI DTG 061312Z SEP 75 RPTD TO YOU.

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CALIFORNIA, SEPTEMBER

5, 1975.

ON SEPTEMBER 5, 1975, DEPUTY CONSUL JULIA L. SARALEGUI, ADVISED THAT ON THIS DATE AT APPROXIMATELY 10:00 AM, APPROXIMATELY 50 MEN OF VARIOUS AGES, REPRESENTING THE OLGA TALAMENTE DEFENSE COMMITTEE, OEGAN TO PICKET AND MARCH ON WILSHIRE BOULEVARD IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE BUILDING WHICH HOUSES THE ARGENTINE CONSULATE. AT APPROXIMATELY 11:00 AM, 15 - 20 DEMONSTRATORS ENTERED THE RECEPTION ROOM OFTHE CONSULATE, ON THE SEVENTH FLOOR OF THE BUILDING. THE DEMONSTRATORS CARRIED SIGNS AND WERE ACCOMPANIED BY TELEVISION AND RADIO REPORTERS, CAMERAS, AND TAPE RECORDERS. THE RECEPTION ROOM WAS UNCLASSIFIED

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ENTIRELY FILLED WITH DEMONSTRATORS.

THE DEMONSTRATORS DEMANDED THE RELEASE OF OLGA TALAMENTE WHOM THEY CLAIMED WAS BEING TORTURED AND HELD AS A POLITICAL PRISONER IN ARGENTINA. THE DEMONSTRATORS WERE ASKED WHETHER OR NOT THEY DESIRED TO PRESENT A PETITION AND THE DEMONSTRATORS THEN FURNISHED LITERATURE RE OLG TALAMENTE TO THE CONSULATE. THIS LITERATURE ALSO STATED THAT SIMULTANEOUS DEMONSTRATIONS WOULD OCCUR ON SEPTEMBER 5, 1975, AT THE ARGENTINE CONSULATES IN SF, LA, AND MEXICO CITY. THE DEMONSTRATORS ASKED POLITICAL OUESTIONS SUCH AS "HOW MANY POLITICAL PRISONERS ARE THERE IN ARGENTINA?" AND "HOW ARE THINGS IN ARGENTINA?". THESE QUESTIONS WERE SHOUTED IN LOUD VOICES. THE DEMONSTRATORS ADVISED THE CONSULATE OFFICIALS THAT THEY WOULD RETURN AT A LATER DATE WITH A PETITION. AT 11:45 AM, THE DEMONSTRATORS BEGAN EXITING THE CONSULATE'S OFFICES AND BY NOON ALL DEMONSTRATORS HAD DEPARTED.

NO THREATS WERE MADE, NO PROPERTY DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURIES OCCURRED.

LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT, LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S OFFICE, AND U. S. SECRET SERVICE. LOS ANGELES ADVISED.

ON SEPTEMBER 5, 1975, ASSISTANT U. S. STTORNEY, LOS ANGELES, DECLINED PROSECUTION SINCE ONLY POSSIBLE VIOLATION WOULD BE TRESPASS, WHICH DID NOT MERIT FEDERAL PROSECUTION. UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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